1	2	3	4	5
14	Meghalaya	34.08	37.89	30.08
15	Nagaland	42.57	50 06	33.89
16	Orissa	34 23	47.10	21.12
17	Punjab	40 86	47.16	33.69
18	Rajasthan	24 38	36.30	11.42
19	Sikkim	34.05	43.95	22 20
20	Tamil Nadu	46 76	58 26	34.99
21	Tripura	42.12	51.70	32.00
22	Uttar Pradesh	27 16	38.76	14.04
23	West Bengal	40.94	50.67	30.25
UNION TERRITORIES				
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	51.56	58.72	42.14
2	Chandigarh	64.79	69.00	59.31
3	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	26.67	36 32	16 78
4	Delhi	61.54	68.40	53.07
5	Goa*, Daman & Diu.	56.66	65.59	47.56
6	Lakshadweep	55.07	65.24	44.65
7	Pondicherry	55.85	65 84	45.71
	INDIA@	36.23	46.89	24.82

@Excludes Assam where census could not be held owing to disturbed conditions prevaling there at the time of 1981 censes.

*Goa has since become a State.

£Excludes the population of area under unlawful occupation of Pakistan and China where census could not be taken.

Ratio in the strength of doctors and nurses in Hospitals and health Service Institutions

4159. SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what ratio is required to be maintained in the strength of doctors and nurses in hospitals and other health service institution;

(b) whether that ratio is being maintained and what is the overall position in the country in this regard; and

(c) what steps are being taken or are proposed to be taken to increase the strength of nurses in hospitals and other health service Institutions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) There is no ratio fixed for the strength of doctors and nurses. The requirement of the hospital/Health Service Institutions is based on the strength and the specialised nature of the service provided by them. However, the desired ratio of doctors and Nurses/Auxiliary Nurse Midwife as per Mudaliar Committee's recommendation is 5:7.

(c) Efforts are made to ensure adequate strength of doctors and nurses as per the requirements of Hospitals/Health Services Institutions from time to time.

Vayudoot services in Jammu and Kashmir

4160. SHRI DHARAM PAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have committed to start Vayudoot services between Jammu-Poonch, Jammu-Rajouri and Jammu-Kishtwar in J. & K. State; and

(b) if so, what are the reasons for not starting the services so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) Subject to availability of aircraft capacity, development of infrastructure and economic viability of operations, Vayudoot has plans to provide air services to Jammu, Rajouri, Kishtwar and Surankot in the State of Jammu and Kashmir. At present there are no proposals to airlink Poonch by Vayudoot services.

(b) Subject to availability of aircraft capacity, Vayudoot has plans to airlink Rajouri in the immediate future. Vayudoot operations to Surankot and Kishtwar will not be possible for the present as there are no operational airfields there.

Highway from Batote to Kishtwar

4161. SHRI DHARAM PAL: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the expenditure incurred on construction of Batote Kishtwar (J & K State) National Highway, so far;

(b) whether it is a fact that the huge expenditure incurred on the construction of this Highway does not commensurate with the progress and that the quality of the work is also not satisfactory; and

(c) whether the Government propose to set up an impartial agency to have the matter thoroughly looked into and fix the responsibility for misappropriation of public money?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) An expenditure of Rs. 27.98 crores has been incurred on this road which was declared as National Highway in May, 1977.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Revival of Helicopter service between Jammu and Katra Vaishnodevi

4162. SHRI DHARAM PAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the causes for delaying the revival of the helicopter service between Jammu and Katra Vaishnodevi; and

(b) by when this service is likely to be revived?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI SHIVRAJ PATIL): (a) The helicopter services between Jammu and Katra Vaishnodevi have not been revived so far due to non-availability of Defence helipad and non-completion of the Civil helipad at Sanjichhat.

(b) Subject to completion of the civil helipad at Sanjichhat, the helicopter services will be restored after September, 1988.

Setting up of a NIS coaching centre in Kerala

4163. SHRI M. A. BABY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present position of the proposal given by the Government of Kerala for setting up of a NIS State Coaching Centre in this State; and

(b) what are the reasons for the delay in giving clearance for the same?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS AND WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT IN THE